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Attorney's Docket No. S1022/8602

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled DESIGN FLOW CHECKER the specification of which was filed on January 24, 2001, as United States Application No. 09/769,004, bearing attorney docket No. S1022/8602.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) or §365 (b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or section 365(a) of any PCT International application designating at least one country other than the United States listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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(Number)	(Country-if PCT, so indicate)	(DD/MM/YY Filed)	YES	NO

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I am the inventor of United Kingdom application number 0002174.1, filed January 31, 2000, which application was filed by the assignee STMicroelectronics, Limited.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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